

Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: Debate does not cease. Senator Landis, you're next. I'll raise the call. Oh, excuse me, we have an amendment.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, I have a priority motion. Senator Bernard-Stevens would move to reconsider the vote on the...is that the Lindsay-Landis amendment to the David Bernard-Stevens amendment?

SPEAKER BAACK: He withdrew the motion. Senator Landis, you're next.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature. You'll see that I've put on your desk an amendment that follows the Landis-Lindsay amendment. My intention, by the way at this point, is to recognize and highlight an area that, as I said before in a previous speech, I think there's some agreement about in this body and I have tried to capture that agreement in this amendment recognizing that it also contains an element that is not an area of agreement, but while we're discussing the Landis-Lindsay amendment, let me tell you that following it, and I hope its approval, I try to strengthen in turn what would be the Bernard-Stevens amendment into a cohesive body of policy. This amendment says the Legislature hereby establishes a task force. Currently, the Hillman amendment, which we have adopted to the Bernard-Stevens amendment, says we should consider creating a task force. This says we create the task force with the Department of Health as the lead agency to address health issues, including adolescent pregnancies that adversely affect adolescents. Then, to capture the Rasmussen language, which has been approved, in the body of the Bernard-Stevens amendment, it says the Legislature shall work with the task force to find solution for circumstances contributing to why women have abortions. It closes with there is hereby appropriated \$5,000 to fund the work of the state task force. It begins, however, with an area in which we deeply divide--strike the original contents of LB 78 and all amendments thereto and insert the following new section. The purpose of the amendment that's before us is to identify that area of commonly held agreement. Let me see if I can try to capitulate it once more for the body as we're now assembled: the existence of a commission; a lead agency role for the Department of Health to assist us; topics to include teenage pregnancy, teen health;